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Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

June 13, 2011

*RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations (WT Docket No. 11-65).*

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

For over 100 years the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce has worked tirelessly on behalf of our local businesses and industries. We are currently the largest chamber in the greater Dayton region and have over 2,700 business company members. Throughout our long history, the Chamber has taken on many successful projects. We have been instrumental in the adoption of one of the first commission-city manager forms of government in the City of Dayton, the establishment of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and Wright State University, the development of Dayton International Airport and other various workforce development initiatives.

This breadth of experience and success has led us to conclude that the proposed merger between AT&T and T-Mobile USA will be beneficial for the community and members of our Chamber. By investing in infrastructure upgrades and expanding their network, the new AT&T will spur economic growth and job creation. In addition to directly creating jobs, this merger will provide the necessary support and advancements that our country's communication technologies drastically need. We should do everything we can to help out American businesses succeed.

If the United States falls behind other countries in broadband deployment and internet speeds our local industries will be continuously placed at a competitive disadvantage. As a result of this merger, much of the country will have access to AT&T's high-speed, wireless broadband technology. This impressive accomplishment will thrust the United States into a position where we can all connect at lightning fast speeds and make business transactions more efficient and prosperous.

Please carefully consider all of the positive influences that this merger will introduce to Dayton, OH and the surrounding communities. We are at a point where we need these improvements and AT&T is prepared to provide them. I can only ask that you do not take that away from us.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phillip L. Parker", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phillip L. Parker, CAE, CCE  
President and CEO  
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CC:

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Commissioner Mignon Clyburn